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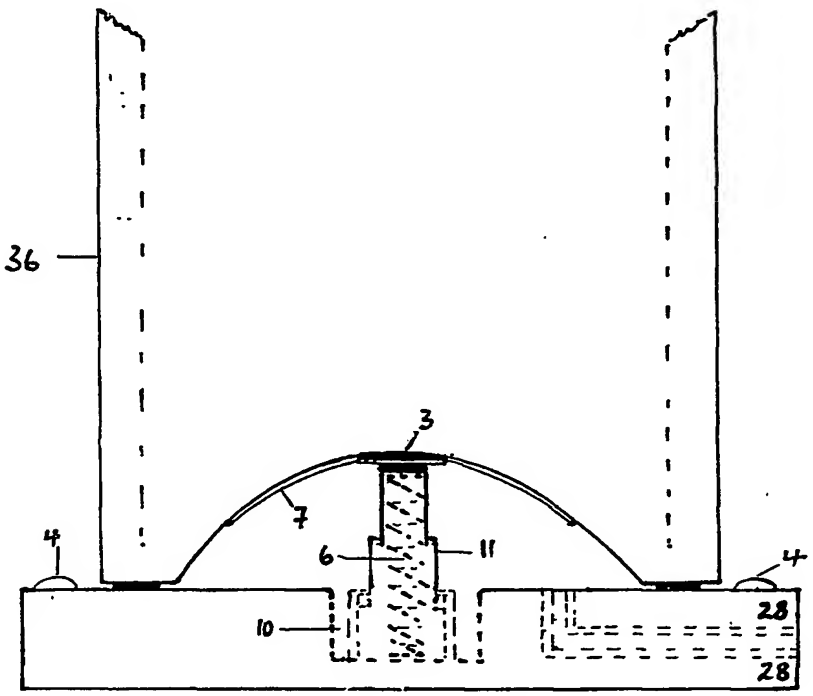

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to the field of thermometers for measuring the temperature of the liquid contents of containers. It is undesirable to open a container (such as a wine bottle) to measure the temperature of its liquid contents. Nevertheless, it is otherwise problematic to follow the temperature change in a container placed in either a cooling or heating incubator. The present invention provides a device for externally estimating the temperature of the liquid contents of a container (36) with a concave base (particularly wine bottles), comprising a support means (1) with contacting portions (2) for contacting the base of said container (particularly at its perimeter), a temperature probe (3) positioned within the support means (1) such that in use the probe (3) may measure the temperature within the space enclosed by the concave base of the container and the support means (1), and a system for displaying the estimated temperature of the container's liquid and/or indicating when the desired temperature has been reached.

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